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BRAZIL.

*Report from Rio de Janeiro—Inspection of vessels—Mortality—
Plague and smallpox.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Stewart reports, March 19:

Week ended March 15. Vessels inspected, with the exception of the U. S. S. *Chicago*, and received bills of health: On the 9th instant the German steamship *Seigmund* for New York, with a cargo of coffee, 3 cabin and 12 steerage passengers, and with no change in the personnel of the crew; on the 13th instant the United States cruiser *Chicago*, for Hampton Roads and Norfolk, Va., with no change in the personnel in this port; on the 14th instant the British steamship *Virgil*, for New Orleans, with a cargo of coffee, no passengers, and no change in the ship's personnel, and on the same date the Norwegian steamship *Nordpol*, for New York, with a cargo of coffee, no passengers, and no change in the personnel of the steamer.

No other vessels left this port during the period under report.

Total deaths, 292. No cases nor deaths due to yellow fever. One new reported case of plague with 1 death. Smallpox caused 21 deaths with 87 new reported cases. At the close of the week there were in the Hospital São Sebastião no cases of yellow fever or plague. Fifty-nine cases of smallpox under treatment.

BRITISH HONDURAS.

Report from Belize, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Mengis reports as follows: Week ended April 9. Present officially estimated population, 10,500. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, very good.

Bills of health issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.
Apr. 3	Belize	Mobile	17	3	1
3	Corinto	New Orleans.....	29	2	24
8	Oratordo	35	0	0

COSTA RICA.

*Report from San José—Quarantine declared at Punta Arenas against
Guayaquil on account of plague.*

Consul Caldwell reports, March 28:

Owing to the reported prevalence of plague at Guayaquil quarantine has been declared at Punta Arenas against vessels arriving from that port.